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EO 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER'S SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR WASHINGTON  
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1. DURING LUNCHEON CONVERSATION FEBRUARY 16 FORNMIN PAK TONG-CHIN TOLD ME THAT IN TALK WITH SECRETARY HE PLANNED TO RAISE TROOP REDUCTION ISSUE, FORTHCOMING UN SESSION, FISHING AGREEMENT AND POSSIBLY OTHER ECONOMIC ISSUES, AS WELL AS U.S. POLICIES IN AFRICA AS THEY RELATED TO ROK'S OWN EFFORTS THERE. FORNMIN SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE GENERAL BRIEFING ON THE WORLD SITUATION AS THE SECRETARY SEES IT, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON U.S./SOVIET AND U.S./PRC RELATIONS SINCE THESE LATTER MATTERS HAD BEARING ON KOREA. (COMMENT: BECAUSE HE SEEMED SOMEWHAT HESITANT ABOUT TOPICS HE PLANNED TO RAISE WE WILL BE DOUBLE CHECKING WITH MOFA STAFF PRIOR TO ACTUAL VISIT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THERE ARE ANY CHANGES OR ADDITIONS.) PAK EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ALL ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR HIS VISIT.

2. OTHERWISE FORNMIN HAD LITTLE CONCRETE TO SAY. HE NODDED APPROVAL WHEN I DESCRIBED CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT EARLIER IN DAY (SEPTTEL). REGARDING THE REST OF HIS ITINERARY, IT STANDS AS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED. HE

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BEGINS TRIP WITH TOKYO STOP FEBRUARY 17-19, PURPOSE OF WHICH WILL LARGELY BE TO GET TO KNOW FOREIGN MINISTER HATOYAMA AND TO HAVE GENERAL CONVERSATION WITH FUKUDA. PAK SAID THERE WOULD BE A FEW SPECIFIC THINGS TO DISCUSS WITH JAPANESE SUCH AS CONTINENTAL SHELF QUESTION, BUT HE DID NOT PLAN TO RAISE EITHER TROOP WITHDRAWAL ISSUE OR CONFLICTING CLAIMS OVER TOKDO ISLAND, WHICH RECENTLY

SURFACED IN PRESS. ONLY OTHER NEW COMMENT ON ITINERARY  
WAS FACT THAT FOLLOWING WASHINGTON VISIT AND NEW YORK  
STOPOVER MARCH 10, MEXICANS WOULD RECEIVE PAK AS OFFICIAL  
STATE GUEST; THIS PAK INTERPRETED AS A FRIENDLY GESTURE.  
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